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## LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY BUFFALO, N.Y., JUNE 11, 2015 A.D.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY**, That at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County, held in the County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015 A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:

**WHEREAS**, Karen (Connors) Erickson is a native of South Buffalo and a 1963 graduate of Mount Mercy Academy; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Erickson and her husband, the late Jim Erikson, had six sons, Jim, John, Paul, Guy, Thomas and Kyle, and two daughters, who are also alumnae of MMA: Jennifer Erikson Shoji (1988), and Courtney (2002), as well as a daughter-in-law, Ellen Clancy Erickson, who graduated from MMA in 1988, and 11 grandchildren; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Erickson is a graduate of ECC and Houghton College, and was the athletic director for Most Precious Blood School, and organized the George Leather, MPB Invitational Basketball Tournament for 25 years; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Erickson dedicated many hours to supporting local boards and organizations, including serving on the Diocesan School Board, the School Board at St. Francis High School, Community Concern and several others, in addition to serving as Deputy Supervisor for the Town of Evans for 12 years; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Erickson is currently a member of the Board of the Business and Finance Academy at Lake Shore Central High School and the Evans Economic Development Committee, as well as Vice President of the Evans Democratic Club; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Erickson owns Connors Hot Dog Stand, a community staple in Angola, and organizes the annual Connors' 5K Weiner Run with her nephew, Jeff Connors, to support the Boys and Girls Club of Lake Shore; and

**WHEREAS**, Karen Erickson has been a tremendous supporter of the MMA 5K, providing hot dogs since the race's inception and donating the proceeds to the Alumnae Scholarship Fund, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to honor Karen Erickson for her longtime support and congratulate her on being named a 2015 MMA 5K honoree.

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Lynne M. Dixon  
Erie County Legislator – 9<sup>th</sup> District

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Karen McCarthy  
Clerk of the Legislature